

Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER SONYJP 3.0-156 Application No. Filing Date Examiner Art Unit 09/837,412 April 18, 2001 Minh Dinh 2132 Applicant(s): Jun Hirai INFORMATION EMBEDDING APPARATUS AND METHOD, INFORMATION PROCESSING Invention: APPARATUS AND METHOD, CONTENT PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD, MONITORING APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND STORAGE MEDIA TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Remaining Number Number After Previously **Extra Claims** Amendment Paid Present Rate **Total Claims** 61 61 X Independent 15 15 х Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 0.00 x | Large Entity Small Entity x No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. 12-1095 X The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Credit any overpayment. Charge apy)additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: February 23, 2005 Robert B. Cohen Attorney Reg. No.: 32,768 LERNER, DAVID, LITTENBERG, KRUMHOLZ & MENTLIK, LLP 600 South Avenue West Westfield, New Jersey 07090 (908) 518-6316

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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the official action mailed February 3, 2005, in which claims 1-61 were held subject to a restriction requirement, the following remarks are respectfully submitted.